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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)	
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YUJI KOIDE)	
	:	Group Art Unit: 2614
Application No.: 09/976,095)	
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Filed: October 15, 2001)	
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For: IMAGE PICKUP APPARATUS,)	January 14, 2002
METHOD OF CONTROLLING	:	
THE IMAGE PICKUP APPARA-)	
TUS, AND EXTERNAL DEVICE	:	

The Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

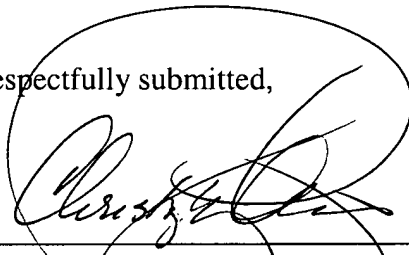
In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the document listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. A copy of the listed document is also enclosed.

The concise explanation of relevance for the non-English document, JP 2000-134531, may be found at page 1 of the specification.

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that an initialed copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

Applicant's undersigned attorney may be reached in our Washington, D.C. office by telephone at (202) 530-1010. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our address given below.

Respectfully submitted,

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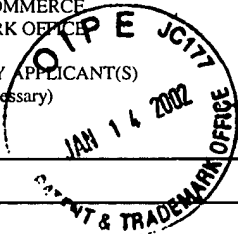
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SUBMISSION OF PRIORITY DOCUMENT

Sir:

In support of Applicant's claim for priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119, enclosed
is a certified copy of the following foreign application:

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Japan

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